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NOTE TO: The Director
The Deputy Director

FROM: John L. Helgerson

The House Intelligence Committee staff passed this draft letter to our Intelligence Community Staff late today. The letter proposes a hearing on arms control for Wednesday, 8 June at 9:00 a.m. We will begin preparing briefing materials tomorrow.

As a first step, we will need to decide which of you should take it.


John L. Helgerson

Attachment

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May 31, 1988

Honorable William H. Webster
Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Judge Webster:

The Senate has proposed major additions to the intelligence budget to add capabilities for arms control and the Soviet military target in the 1990s.

The Committee will have to deal with this issue in conference within the next few weeks. Prior to this, the Committee plans to hold a hearing on Wednesday, June 8, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in Room H-405. The Committee will want to understand the elements of this proposal, its financing and particularly, the judgments of the Community regarding the need for and utility of the various elements of the proposal.

The Committee requests participation by yourself or Mr. Gates and by the program managers and/or the senior analysis/production official of the affected programs: CIA, GDIP, CCP and Special Air Force. Officials of the Intelligence Community Staff, including your requirements committees, are welcome as you see necessary.

The hearing will begin with very brief presentations about the intelligence needs and shortfalls addressed, and the individual elements of the proposal. The value and priorities for each element of the proposal should be addressed separately for the categories of arms control, general and technical intelligence, and indications and warning. These presentations should total no more than 45 minutes and should stress requirements and priorities, not the technical details of the projects. Copies of statements and graphics to be used at the hearing are requested by 2:00 p.m. on Monday, June 6.

Further details may be obtained from Martin Faga of the Committee staff at 225-7690.

Sincerely,

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LOUIS STOKES
Chairman

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